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SPECIALIZING IN EARLY U. S. AND COLONIAL COINS AND CURRENCY

11/24/75



Dear Eric:

Enclosed are my notes on the Continental and Vermont. Am working on the others now, and hope to have all, except Virginia done prior to the NN sale, and then use those figures to wind up that State. I hope that this is of some help.

Kindest regards,

Sincerely,



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11/30/75



Dear Eric:

Here are a few more galleys. Not too many comments. The prices, for the most part seem OK. The only changes are when they're drastic. I hope to have the balance done by next week-end, or perhaps the middle of the following week. We have the NN sale on the 3rd & 4th, and I must go to the NY convention on the 5th. Stacks has a sale on the week-end, and so far I don't think that I'll attend, but, you never know, I may get some bids that might make it necessary. Nothing else new.

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12/10/75



Dear Eric:

Here's NJ & NY. As soon as I get this packed, I'll get back to work on NC which is next. I realize that reading the signatures can be difficult at times; and very confusing. Joe is in Colorado on vacation, so I can't call him to see if he checked off these, but, he should be back next week, and you can call him on them. I noted the purchasers of those that didn't have plates, so that if you wanted to borrow the notes to examine, you can contact them, or, if you wish, I can. J.J. Teaparty is the firm name of Ed Leventhal. Nothing much else new. Also enclosed is the appraisal that you requested. Though I find the only one recent sales record (PT 10/18/75) of a 7 shilling note, I know of about 6 specimens of the 7 sh. note, but none of the other denoms, except these two of yours. X On the back of the 2 Sh note you have the notation 'this is the reverse of the 5 sh. note'. Do you also have a 5 sh, or was this just a typo? I'm basing my appraisal on the condition of yours vs the PT piece, taking into consideration the difference in condition, and the others, I'm assuming to be rarer. Is this only coincidence? Why the appearance of only the 7 sh. notes?

Kindest regards,

Sincerely,

P.S. Note how the Hunking Wentworth endorsement on the reverse of the X 10 Sh. note differs so markedly from the others. ????





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12/20/75

✓ Dear Eric: Well here are 3 more down, with two to go. I may have sent you copies of the letters on the PPD watermark some time ago, but, if not, here they are. Please return these to me. The p/c of NN 746 is for you to keep. In going over my books, I see that two notes are still outstanding from the group that I sent to you last Jan. I remember that some time ago you had asked me for the prices, and perhaps I may have neglected to send them. They are:

4/23/61	1 Sh.	NSN	\$200.
	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	SN 13..	275.

All other items from that group were either paid for or returned.

I'll be up at ANS 1/2/76 to have the Mass silver coins photographed and to put final touches on the article. I hope that when you're in you'll go over it for any editing you see fit. Just realized that I didn't put a title on it, and I'll have to do that too. It would be nice if you could do a forward or intro for it. Nothing much else new.

Kindest regards, and all best wishes for the forthcoming holiday season,

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12/26/75



Dear Eric:

Didn't have time to include a letter with the last sections mailed Wed PM. I spoke to JJF and this is what he recalls that W.R. told him in in 1954 regarding the 1709 NY notes. W.R. bought them from the Holland American Soc. about 1910-1912 ( this is a guess, since W.R. told him that he got them a few years before he was married, and that was 1916). He thinks that there were 26-28 notes (at least more than 20), some of which were uncut pairs. In 1916-18, when the group was still intact, he sold 1 of each different to FCCB, for a total of 6 notes. I'm assuming, based upon unc notes that I've seen that they were both varieties of the May issue of the 5 sh and 10 sh, as well as the Nov. shilling issue 25 sh & 50 sh. One pair of the May issue W.R. sold to JJF in a red morroco leather folder. JJF sold that some time ago, and after it passed through a few hands, is now in the possession of Anton. In W.R.'s original purchase from the H.A.S. there were also a few restrikes or replicas of a few of the Dutch Betts medals. Though I don't recall where I heard it, a good many years ago, I had heard that the original hoard contained 13 pairs. If that was true, then the 26 sounds logical. Can you add anything to all this?

Kindest regards, and all best wishes for the new year,

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9/9/76

Dear Eric:

Please note: NJ 3/25/76 L3 between the top blue border and the left side blue border are three tiny letters in red, either S a r or S d r, The S is in upper case script, the ar in lower case script. the a could very well be a d. I have three such notes, but only one shows it clearly. The one illustrated on p 214 shows it, but it is too indistinct to make out just what letters they are.

Kindest regards,

Sincerely,

P.S. Did you remember to propose me for NLG ?

Also: CC 9/26/78 \$5, where in some cases the R of DOLLARS under the vignette is high. After studying several examples of the high and normal R I've noticed that the R in the normal position is too large, and in the high position seems to be broken. Perhaps the reason for it having broken and shifted was because it was too large in the 1st place. ?





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Dear Eric:

Just ran across something interesting. In the Conn issues, some notes show the motto QUI TRA SUS while others, of different denominations, but in the same issue show it QUI.T RAN SUST. Perhaps by checking all denominations in the various issues, you might find some key. You may even find other variations. Just heard that you're away. Will hold this, and mail before I leave on the 2nd. May have other items to add.

9/30/76

Is this NY note gen or ctf? Please return photo. A while ago, a George Flanagan sent you p/cs of 3 early RI notes. Based upon the p/cs, what was your opinion of them? In talking with D. Ball, he suggested that the CC 5/10/75 \$30. note was not printed as you described, but, on a sheet by itself, and that he and Walter Breen have identified several different plates of the \$30. note that supports that theory. What do you think? Have you seen any sheets that contain a \$30? We leave for Greece 10/2, returning 10/16. Hope you had a good trip.

Kindest regards,

Sincerely,

**MEMO**

*from*

*Richard Picker*



P.S. You once asked me to save the 1783 Nova Constellatio, 1-A (Hines) if I broke up my collection. I still have it aside for you, and, if you wish, will trade back for the same item I originally gave you for it, which I believe was a 1787 Conn 52-G. Or, what do you suggest? Or, don't you want it? When will you come East???

RP